

FEDERAL ORDER

Domestic Quarantine of Cook, DuPage, and McHenry Counties, Illinois, for Gypsy Moth (*Lymantria dispar*)

This Federal Order provides notification, effective immediately, for quarantine of Cook, DuPage, and McHenry counties, Illinois, for Gypsy Moth (GM). This action results from verification of intractable reproducing populations of GM in those areas. All interstate movement of regulated articles from Cook, DuPage, and McHenry counties must comply with Federal regulatory requirements per 7CFR 301.45.

7CFR 301.45-2(c) provides for temporary designation of new quarantine areas pending publication of a rule to add counties to the list shown in 7CFR 301.45-3(a). 7CFR 301.45-2(c) further requires written notification be given to the owners of property and enterprises in a newly quarantined area, advising them of the quarantine and the necessity of complying with requirements for the movement of regulated articles. This is the responsibility of the Federal and/or State regulatory personnel responsible for the GM program in the affected state.

The APHIS State Plant Health Director for Illinois received notification from the Illinois Department of Agriculture, 11 April 2007, of the State's intent to add the aforementioned counties to the intrastate quarantine for gypsy moth. 7CFR 301.45-2(b) allows the quarantine of less than an entire state only when the State enforces an intrastate quarantine that matches Federal Gypsy Moth regulations. Accordingly, in order to maintain a partial state quarantine for GM, the State Plant Regulatory Official for Illinois must confirm prior to 31 May 2007, the establishment of an intra-state quarantine for the areas designated by this Order that mirrors the Federal Regulatory requirements as specified in 7CFR 301.45. The confirmation should be made in writing to the APHIS State Plant Health Director for Illinois.

If you wish more details on the Federal Gypsy Moth regulatory program, you may contact the staff officer, Weyman Fussell at (301) 734-5705. For information on regulatory requirements for movement of articles out of Illinois, please contact the APHIS State Plant Health Director, Mr. Stephen Knight, at (847) 299-6939.

We continue to appreciate the cooperative relationship with the State of Illinois in our mutual effort to prevent the spread of quarantine pests.